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Mr. Bob Wyatt
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Portland, OR 97209

Re: Portland Harbor Superfund Site; Administrative Order on Consent for Remedial
Investigation and Feasibility Study; Docket No. CERCLA-10-2001-0240

Dear Mr. Wyatt:

This letter provides EPA's comments on the LWG's presentation at our February 23, 2011 meeting on monitored natural recovery (MNR) modeling for the Portland Harbor Feasibility Study.

The LWG's presentation provided a good overview of the status of the modeling efforts and generally met EPA's expectations for the meeting. EPA also appreciated receiving the presentation materials well in advance of the meeting. The enclosed comments summarize our observations and feedback on the presentation and materials. Please provide a response to the enclosed comments within 30 days, including a description of how and when the LWG will address any comments that are not resolved directly by the LWG's initial response.

If you have any questions regarding these matters please contact Chip Humphrey at (503) 326-2678 or Kristine Koch at (206) 553-6705. All legal inquiries should be directed to Lori Cora at (206) 553-1115.

Sincerely,

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